

HON. RICARDO S. MARTINEZ

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

AMERICAN HALLMARK INSURANCE  
COMPANY OF TEXAS, a foreign insurer,

Plaintiff,

v.

CHRISTIAN BECK, individually, SCOTT  
HOLLAND, individually, DANNA  
HOLLAND, individually, RHINE  
DEMOLITION LLC, a Washington  
corporation, RHINE GROUP INC., a  
Washington corporation, RON SPARKS  
INC., a foreign for-profit corporation, G.M  
NORTHRUP CORPORATION, a Minnesota  
corporation, O'REILLY AUTOMOTIVE  
ENTERPRISES, LLC, a foreign for-profit  
corporation, and RSI STORES, INC, a  
foreign for-profit corporation,

Defendant.

No. 3:22-cv-5565 RSM

**STIPULATION AND ORDER OF  
VOLUNTARY DISMISSAL OF  
DEFENDANT RON SPARKS, INC.**

**NOTE ON MOTION CALENDAR:  
JANUARY 4, 2023**

**I. STIPULATION**

American Hallmark Insurance Company of Texas (hereinafter "Hallmark") and Ron Sparks, Inc. (hereinafter "RSI") hereby agree and stipulate as follows:

1. RSI agrees to be bound by any decision or ruling regarding whether there is any coverage available for G.M. Northrup, Inc. ("G.M.") under the Hallmark Policy number 44-CL-

000494289-02 for the claims made against G.M. in *Christian Beck v. Rhine Demolition, LLC et al.*, King County Superior Court Cause No. 20-2-07117-5 SEA (the “Underlying Lawsuit”) regardless of whether any decision or ruling is made by the Court or by the jury in this matter.

2. RSI acknowledges and agrees that it has been provided with the opportunity to consult with counsel and that its representatives have signed this Stipulation free from any duress or undue influence on the part of Hallmark.

3. In consideration of this agreement, Hallmark agrees to dismiss RSI as a party defendant from its Complaint, without prejudice, and without fees or costs to either party.

DATED this 4th day of January 2023.

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**II. ORDER**

Based on the foregoing Stipulation, it is hereby ORDERED as follows:

1. Defendant Ron Sparks, Inc. will be bound by any decision or ruling regarding whether there is any coverage available for G.M. Northrup, Inc. ("G.M.") under the Hallmark Policy number 44-CL-000494289-02 for the claims made against G.M. in *Christian Beck v. Rhine Demolition, LLC et al.*, King County Superior Court Cause No. 20-2-07117-5 SEA (the "Underlying Lawsuit") regardless of whether any decision or ruling is made by the Court or by the jury in this matter.

2. Defendant Ron Sparks Inc. is hereby DISMISSED as a party defendant from Plaintiff's Complaint, without prejudice, and without fees or costs to either party.

DATED this 6<sup>th</sup> day of January, 2023.



RICARDO S. MARTINEZ  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Presented By:

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

The undersigned hereby certifies under the penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of Washington that on this date I caused to be served in the manner noted below a true and correct copy of the foregoing on the parties mentioned below as indicated:

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